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**To:** McClure, Alison  
**Cc:** Bailey, Gemma  
**Subject:** Gopsort

Hi!

**Gosport - meeting**

I just wondered if you can consider this and let me know your views before you are on leave next week please :-

- GMC are due to give their verdict either on 21 August or on 24 August. I was thinking of going to the verdict, both to show solidarity with the families and also to look out for any press interest.
- CPS are awaiting the outcome from the GMC. The families are keen for a meeting with the CPS and I would be happy to go that with them.
- Issuing proceedings. Naturally all the cases are all considerably out of time. If we do a civil action then we will need the Court to exercise its discretion and I assume we have to issue sooner rather than later. I think we have about 14 families which could form the basis of a group action. I have not done a group action before and wondered if there is any existing experience I can draw upon in the firm. It might just be a question of having to work from first principles. Also would we act under a CFA? It might be quite a substantial business venture.
- BL meeting. Some of the key families would like to hold a meeting with us. One huge advantage this time is with the auditorium we can cope with a very variable attendance!

Main questions: should we proceed with a meeting here with the families; what is the best timing; and when would you be able to come? Given annual leave and then the LDR earlier in September, maybe the latter half of September would be best.

Thinking aloud - may be we should go - GMC verdict first - then meeting with the CPS (who are bound to mess it up) - and then when everyone is stirred up enough - meeting here in the latter part of September with a view to a group negligence action and issue proceedings shortly after.

I would be very interested in your thoughts before you are off.

Best wishes

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